GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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RAIL- ROAD LINKING OF PORTS
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Committee of Secretaries for reviewing rail and road connectivity of major Ports has suggested to develop high capacity rail and road routes within a stipulated time in view of future demand of major/minor ports;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the project-wise details of work undertaken/proposed to be undertaken and amount sanctioned, expenditure incurred in the region;

(d) the present status of work undertaken so far; and

(e) the time frame fixed for completion of the projects?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) & (b): Yes, sir. The Committee has noted that each Major Port should preferably have atleast four lane road connectivity as well as double line rail connectivity. It has identified actionable plans for port connectivity projects, their completion schedules and financing arrangements.

(c) to (e): Details are at Annexure.

ANNEXURE

ONGOING/SANCTIONED RAILWAY PROJECTS

Sl.No.	Name of Port	Scope of Work	Length (km)	Estimated Project Cost (Rs.in Crore)	Present status
1.	Haldia	Doubling of Panskura-Haldia section (Phase-I)	14	26	Completed and commissioned.
2.	New Mangalore	Aresikere-Hassab-Mangalore rail link	236	357	Complete section has been commissioned for goods traffic.
3.	Kandla	Gandhidham-Palampur Gauge conversion	313	50	Completed and commissioned.
4.	Jawaharlal Nehru Port	Doubling of Panvel-Jasai section	28.5	69	Project completed and commissioned.
5.	Paradip	Haridaspur-Paradip link with mines and steel plants	82	456	Fixed line survey completed. Special Purpose Vehicle incorporated. Works started on Luna Bridge and Mahanadi Bridge. Scheduled completion

					date is December, 2008.
6.	Tuticorin Doubling of Madurai-Dindigul section	62.06	126	Ambaturai-Kodaikanal. road doubling has been merged with this work.	Detailed estimate sanctioned. Tenders for earthwork, 85 minor bridges, 7 major bridges awarded. Tenders for one mega bridge (Vagai bridge) and earthwork between Kodaikanal-Dindigul also awarded. Scheduled completion date is December, 2008.
7.	Kandla Bhildi-Samdhari gauge conversion	223	290	Earthwork and bridge works on Samdhari-Bhimmal (122 km section) is being executed. Scheduled completion date is June, 2008.	
8.	Paradip Second bridge over Mahanadi	3	1430	Work in progress. Scheduled completion date is June, 2008.	
Total		961.56	2014		

RAILWAY PROJECTS PROPOSED TO BE UNDERTAKEN

Sl.No.	Name of Port	Scope of Work	Length (km)	Estimated Project Cost (Rs. in Crore)	Present status
1.	Kolkata	Rail connectivity to proposed jetties at Diamond Harbour.	2	22	Survey completed in Jan 2007.
2.	Mormugao	Doubling of Londa-Dharwar section	70	175	Report received from RVNL is under appraisal.
3.	Haldia	Doubling of Panskura-Haldia section (Phase-II)	44	230	The proposal has been approved by RVNL Board of Directors and is now being processed for consideration and approval of Government.
4.	Mumbai	Dedicated freight line between Wadala and Kurla	5.06	104 (incl. Rs. 55 crores for hutment removal)	The project is under consideration for approval of the Government.
5.	Ennore (Puttur - Attipattu)	The new chord line	144	435	Project Report for the new Chord Line

is under appraisal.

Total 263.66 944

STATUS OF ONGOING/SANCTIONED PORT CONNECTIVITY ROAD PROJECTS

Sl.No.	Name of Port	Scope of Work	Length (km)	Project Cost(Rs. in Crore)	Present status
1.	Haldia	4-laning of Kolaghat-Haldia section	52.2	273	42% work completed upto termination of contract. Cumulative expenditure upto August 2007 is Rs.130.28 crore.
2.	Paradip	4-laning of NH-5A	77	427	Cumulative expenditure upto August 2007 is Rs.301.06 crore.
3.	Visakhapatnam	Port Connectivity	12.47	94	Project Completed on 30.11.2006.
4.	Chennai & Ennore	Chennai-Ennore Port Connectivity Phase-I:9 km Phase-II:15 km Phase-III:6 km	30	309	Progress upto Nov., 07 Awarded cost - 9.7% in case of Phase I. Phase-I : 39.2 -In case of Phase-II, with the approval of NHAI Board, the work was awarded to a Central PSU (M/s Engineering Projects (India) Ltd.). Phase-II : 76.76 -Resettlement and Rehabilitation of Project Affected Families for Phase-III works has been taken up.
5.	Tuticorin	4-laning of NH-7A	47.2	231	Cumulative % of work is: 22.4%. Cumulative expenditure upto August 2007 is Rs. 71.02 crore.
6.	Cochin	4-laning of NH-47	10.40	106	Cumulative % progress of work is 43%. Contract terminated.
7.	New Mangalore	4-laning of NH-17, NH-48 & bypass	37.5	196	Cumulative % progress upto Nov., 07 is 11.34%. Expenditure upto August 2007 is Rs. 28.24 crore
8.	Mormugao	4-laning of NH-17B	18.3	80	13.1km completed in May,04. State Govt. could not give land free from encumbrances to take up balance 5.2km of work.
9.	Jawaharlal Nehru Port	4-laning of SH-54 with 6 - lane bridge on Panvel Creek.	14.35	143	Cumulative % progress upto Nov., 07 is 87.26%.

	(Package II)				
10.	Jawaharlal Nehru Port	Package. I	30	177	Completed.
11.	Tuticorin (BOT)	Four laning of Tuticorin-Madurai Road (NH-45B)	144	629	Work awarded in Feb., 06, Agreement signed in July, 06. Cumulative % progress upto Nov., 07 is 23.5%.
12.	Cochin	Connectivity to ICTT, Vallarpadam	17.2	330	The work commenced in August 2007 with scheduled completion in February 2010. (revised to Rs. 557 crore)

STATUS OF PORT CONNECTIVITY PROJECTS TO BE SANCTIONED

Sl.No.	Name of Port	Scope of Work	Length (km)	Estimated Project Cost (Rs. in Crore)	Present status
1.	Kolkata	Kona Junction on NH-6 to Netaji Subash Dock	14	-	Detailed Project Report not finalized.
2.	Paradip (BOT)	Four laning of Panikoili-Barbil NH-215	189	1050	The project is at bid stage.